

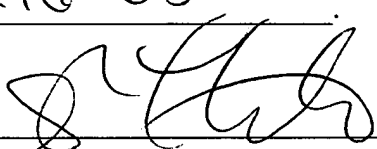


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In Re Application of:

Penk et al.

Serial No.: 09/976,604

Filed: October 12, 2001

Confirmation No.: 3301

Group Art Unit: 2143

Examiner: England, David E.

Docket No.: A-6727 (191910-1800)

For: Mechanism for Implementing Network Discovery in a Cable Network.

The following is a list of documents enclosed:

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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (LARGE)**Applicant(s): **Penk et al.**

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendments and Response to Office Action in the above-identified application.

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	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	43 -	43 =	0	X \$50.00	\$0
INDEP. CLAIMS	5 -	5 =	0	X \$200.00	\$0
Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>				\$360.00	\$0
EXTENSION FEE	1 <sup>ST</sup> MONTH <input type="checkbox"/> \$120.00	2 <sup>ND</sup> MONTH <input type="checkbox"/> \$450.00	3 <sup>RD</sup> MONTH <input type="checkbox"/> \$1,020.00	4 <sup>TH</sup> MONTH <input type="checkbox"/> \$1,590.00	\$0
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Sir:

The outstanding non-final Office Action mailed January 13, 2005 has been carefully considered. In response thereto, please enter the following amendments in which claims 9, 10, 22, 33, and 34 are amended. Claims 1-43 are now pending in the present application.

***AUTHORIZATION TO DEBIT ACCOUNT***

It is believed that no extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to deposit account No. 20-0778.